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In re application of:

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Necrosis Factor Receptor-Like
Genes (as amended)**

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Reply To Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated **July 3, 2001**, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of Group III, represented by claim 18¹. This election is made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. This election is made without traverse.

Also, in advance of prosecution, please amend the application as follows. This Amendment is provided in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.115 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this

¹The Preliminary Amendment filed herein adds additional claims directed to the subject matter of the Group III invention.